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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q68269

Hidetoshi YOKOTA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/049,509

Group Art Unit: 2855

Confirmation No.: 4003

Examiner: Eric S. McCall

Filed: June 7, 2002

For: VEHICLE RUNNING STATE ESTIMATION METHOD AND APPARATUS, VEHICLE
CONTROL APPARATUS AND TIRE WHEEL

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of October 16, 2003 to March 16, 2004.

A check for the statutory fee of \$420.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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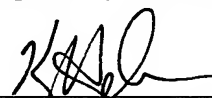
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